



## **Inside Prison Ministries Participant Guidelines**

Inside Prison Ministries would like to thank you for choosing to participate in our ministry efforts. To insure that we are effective in sharing the gospel without distraction or incident, we kindly ask that you follow the guidelines below.

**Note:** Please don't be intimidated by the instructions, like anything else, they are simply a precaution. We will have a great time in the Lord. Thank you!

**Bring your ID with you, you will need it to get in.** wallet, money, cell phone etc., all personal items must remain in the car. Your keys can be put into a locker.

If you need medication, it will need to be arranged with the facility for access.

When you first enter the prison you may or may not receive a warm welcome from the prison staff, don't take offense. Remain friendly & respectful, and follow the instructions given.

When you enter, you will be asked to sign the volunteer leger at the front desk.

When walking across the yard, stay with the group and within the defined perimeter of the event. You may say "hello" to prisoners, but do not stop to talk.

Once inside the concert area, feel free to greet and shake hands with the prisoners. Relax, and make eye contact with them, but be ever mindful that you are in a prison.

If you are given a PPD (Personal Protection Device), keep it with you at all times, the officers will instruct you how to use it if necessary.

Men can sit among the prisoners if you feel comfortable. Hugging prisoners is prohibited.

Do not accept anything from any prisoner.

Do not give any personal information, other than your first name.

**Do not ask anyone why they are in prison, when they will get out or how long they are serving.**

Limit any extra jewelry accept wedding rings

**WOMEN:** Sit in designated area, usually in the front. No open-toed shoes, dress modestly, no low cut, tight fitting tops, no excessive make-up. All tops should be loose & long enough to cover yourself discretely. No tight fitting pants, no shorts or short dresses. Use conservative judgment.

**PLEASE BE PROMPT. We are looking forward to a great time in worship with you.**

**For More Info – Call Our Office at 616-957-5790**